Regulations
Of the 2nd African Draughts-64 Championship 2018
08 – 14 July 2018 City of Blantyre, Malawi

1. Competitions management.
1.1. General management of the African Draughts-64 Championship 2018 is carried out by the International Draughts Federation IDF, hereinafter IDF.

1.2. The holding organizations are:
The International Draughts Federation (IDF)
The African Draughts Confederation (ADF)
The Association of Draughts in Malawi (ADMA) as a directly hosting organization

1.3. Direct leadership of the Championship is assigned to the panel of arbiters approved by IDF.

2. Time and place.
2.1. Championship is held from 8th July (arrival day) till 14th July (departure day) 2018 at the Malawi Sun Hotel & Conference Centre *** (Robins Road, Blantyre, Malawi).

3. Program of competitions.
3.1. African Draughts-64 Championship is individual and team.
3.2. Individual African Draughts-64 Championship is held in three programs:
3.2.1. African Draughts-64 Championship (Brazilian version). Blitz
3.2.2. African Draughts-64 Championship (Pool Checkers version). Rapid
3.2.3. African Draughts-64 Championship (International/Russian version). Classic

3.3. Individual African Draughts-64 Championship is held for qualification to the World Draughts-64 Championship 2019, to fulfill the norms of international titles and ratings.

3.4. Team classification among national federations in all programs of the Championship will be established. Team composition is not more than 3 players from each national federation. Team classification is made on not more than 2 best players from each team. Team members must be declared before the competitions on the day of arrival and registration.

4. Participants.
4.1. 2nd African Draughts-64 Championship is held among men.

4.2. Participants from national associations/federations of African countries – IDF members are allowed to participate in competitions.

4.3. IDF has the right to invite some players from countries which are not members of the IDF.

4.4. Following players allowed to participation:
Participants, who took 1st, 2nd, 3rd places in the 1st African Draughts-64 Championship 2016 (Classic), the best African player from World Championship 2017 (Classic); players who have IDF international titles, three representatives from each national federation – member of IDF and ADF.

4.5. Organizers have the right to invite some players from non-member countries of the IDF and ADF.

4.6. The Association of Draughts in Malawi (ADMA) has the right to expose the double composition.
5. Tournament regulations.

5.1. Competitions are held according the IDF Rules of the game and competition in draughts-64.

5.2. System of all competitions is Swiss in 9 rounds according to the schedule.

5.3. All programs are held by a system of micro-matches consist of two games with a toss of the initial moves and positions on the official debuts table and binding on both games of the micro-match.

5.4. The draw for the rounds conducted by a computer program.

5.5. Time control:
♦ Blitz: 3 minutes till the end of the game plus 2 seconds per move for each player.
♦ Rapid: 7 minutes till the end of the game plus 3 seconds per move for each player.
♦ Classic game: 30 minutes till the end of the game plus 5 seconds per move for each player. The break between games is five minutes. (The duration of the round is 2 hours and 10 minutes) Game record is obligatory for all participants.

5.6. Schedule:
8th July - Day 1 – Arrival & Registration, Technical Meeting
9th July - Day 2 – Opening Ceremony and Blitz
10th July - Day 3 – Rapid
11th July - Day 4 – Classic, Rounds 1 & 2 (Morning), Rounds 3 & 4 (Afternoon)
12th July - Day 5 – Classic, Rounds 5 & 6 (Morning), Excursion (Afternoon)
13th July - Day 6 – Classic, Rounds 7 & 8 (Morning), Round 9 & Closing Ceremony (Afternoon)
14th July - Departure
This schedule may change. The dates of arrival, registration, and departure are final.

6. Winners.

6.1. For individual competitions, place of players in competition is determined by the amount of scored points, regarding the following: win - 2 points, draw - 1, loss - 0.

6.2. In case of equal result of two or more participants places are determined according to the official Rules of the game and the competition in draughts-64.

6.3. For team classification, places of teams are determined by the amount of points, scored by not more than 2 best players from each team declared before the competition for team classification.

6.4. In case of equal result of two or more teams places are determined the lower amount of places team members.

7. Special conditions:

7.1. Only members of the game can fixed the drop of flag.
7.2. King is designated staging of one piece on the other piece.
7.3. The same hand used to move the piece and to press the clock.
7.4. Draw:

7.4.1. If one player proposes a draw and his opponent accepts the offer.
7.4.2. If any of the opponents cannot win;
7.4.3. If three (or more) times the same position is repeated, and each time the same player having to move.
7.4.4. If a player has three kings (and more) against a single enemy king and his 15th move (counting from the time of establishing the correlation of forces) cannot capture enemy king.
7.4.5. If within 15 moves players made moves only kings without moving of men and not making the capture.
7.4.6. If a player having three kings, two kings and one man, one king and two men against one enemy king, located on the long diagonal, his 5th move will not be able to capture enemy king.
7.4.7. If a player having two kings, one king and man, one king against enemy king to their 5th move will not be able to capture enemy king.
7.4.8. If position in which the both opponents having kings have not changed the balance of pieces (i.e., there was no capture and man did not become a king) for:
   4 and 5 pieces: endings - 30 moves;
   6 and 7 pieces: endings - 60 moves.
7.5. The player may offer a draw if every opponent made more than 20 moves in classic program; in blitz and rapid programs players can agree to a draw only when the number of pieces for each player is 6 or less.
7.6. In case of a dispute regarding a drawn game; the referee decision is final.
7.7. Participants are required in the tournament hall to 5 minutes before the start of the round.
7.8. Participants must leave the playing area after his matches of the round.
7.9. Participant which came late to the game is booked. If participant came late by more than time control of the first game of micro-match, he is losing in the micro-match. If participant came late on the game again, the sanctions up to expulsion from the tournament may be subject to him.
7.10. If both players are missing in the beginning of the game, the referee starts the clock of player playing white. But as soon as one of the two players came, the referee takes the elapsed time on both dials, and then starts the clock of missing player.
7.11. Participants, coaches and spectators are required to turn off mobile phones in the playing hall, in the case of a call of mobile phone, participant is losing in the micro-match, and coaches and spectators are removed from the playing hall for one day.
7.12. Protests served to the panel of arbiters for half an hour after the end of the round, with a protest bail in the sum of USD 50. If the protest is upheld the deposit is returned;
7.13. Participants are required to dress properly preferably in their national colors.
7.14. Participants are required to attend the closing ceremony of a breach of the item they are deprived of official awards.

8. Awarding.
8.1. Individual competitions
   8.1.1. Winner of African Championship in Blitz received the title of «African Draughts-64 Champion 2018 in Blitz». He is awarded with cup from ADMA, medal and official diploma from IDF.
   8.1.2. Winner of African Championship in Rapid received the title of «African Draughts-64 Champion 2018 in Rapid». He is awarded with cup from ADMA, medal and official diploma from IDF.
   8.1.3. Winner of African Championship in Classic program received the title of «African Draughts-64 Champion 2018». He is awarded with cup from ADMA; medal and official diploma from IDF.
   8.1.4. The participants who took second and third places in each program of the Championship are awarded respectively with medals and official diplomas from IDF.
   8.1.5. All participants of Classic program awarded diplomas from IDF.
   8.1.6. Winner of African Championship in the Classic program is awarded the title of “International Grandmaster”, participants who took second and third places are awarded the titles “International Master” and “IDF Master” respectively.
8.2. Team’s classification
   8.2.1. Winners in team classification in each program of the Championship received the titles:
      «Team – African Draughts-64 Champion 2018»
      «Team – African Draughts-64 Champion 2018 in Blitz»
      «Team – African Draughts-64 Champion 2018 in Rapid»
   Teams, it official representatives and participants are awarded with official diplomas from IDF.
   8.2.2. Teams which took second and third places in team classification in each program of the Championship, it official representatives and participants are awarded with official diplomas from IDF.
8.3. IDF established the prize fund of the championship at least USD 3 000. Additional prizes may be announced by the organizers at the Opening Ceremony.

9.1. Organizational expenses:

9.1.1. The host nation provides game room, trophies, playing materials such as boards, pieces and clocks, internet, any arrangements on the opening events, excursion, transportation of players and officials to and from airport and bus stations and other expenses for the championship.

9.1.2. IDF provides official awards: diplomas and medals; prize fund, pays all expenses (accommodation, meals and air tickets) to the main Arbiter and IDF representatives.

9.2. Tournament fees
On the day of arrival at the competition each participant pays to the Main Arbiter organizational entry fee USD 50, including:
Blitz  - USD 10
Rapid  - USD 10
Classic - USD 30
Participants who did not pay the entry fee before the competition will not be allowed to participate.

9.3. Admission costs

9.3.1. ADMA provides accommodation and meals in twin rooms from 8th July (Lunch) to 14th July (breakfast) (total 6 days) for one participant from each national association/federation - member of the IDF and ADF and champion of the 1st African Championship in Classic program Richard Mwamba.

9.3.2. The other their costs, as well as the costs of the other participants are paid by sending organizations (visas, travel, meals, accommodation).

9.3.3. Accommodation and meals
Malawi Sun Hotel & Conference Centre *** (Robins Road, Blantyre, Malawi) is official hotel for accommodation of participants.
The cost of accommodation and meals will be reported additionally.

10. Applications.
Applications for participation in the Championship and for booking accommodation must be submitted from national federations to IDF, ADF and ADMA.
Preliminary applications must be submitted before 10th May 2018, final applications - not later than 8th June 2018.
Participants, who have not declared within a specified time, will not be allowed to compete.

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